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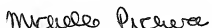
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Re: Applicants: BIRKELBACH et al.
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following for filing in connection with the above-referenced application:

1. A Response to Office Action; and
2. A Petition and Fee for Extension of Time Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

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